

Certificate Program Indian History

Module 1: Prehistoric and Ancient India

- 1. Week 1: Introduction to Prehistoric India
 - Early Human Settlements: Paleolithic, Mesolithic, and Neolithic Cultures
 - Indus Valley Civilization: Society, Economy, and Urbanization
- 2. Week 2: Vedic Period and Later Vedic Age
 - Aryan Society and the Rigvedic Age
 - Later Vedic Civilization: Political Structure, Religion, Society
- 3. Week 3: The Rise of Jainism and Buddhism
 - Mahavira and the Jain Philosophy
 - Gautama Buddha and the Spread of Buddhism
 - Mauryan Empire: Ashoka and his Dharma

Module 2: Early Medieval India

- 1. Week 4: The Gupta Period and its Cultural Impact
 - Golden Age of India: Literature, Science, and Arts
 - Political Structure and Society
- 2. Week 5: Early Medieval Kingdoms
 - Pallavas, Chalukyas, and Rashtrakutas
 - Role of Temples in Society
- 3. Week 6: Development of Indian Philosophy and Thought
 - Growth of Bhakti and Sufi Movements
 - Social and Religious Reform Movements



Module 3: The Delhi Sultanate and Mughal India

- 1. Week 7: The Delhi Sultanate
 - Invasion of India by the Ghaznavids and Ghurids
 - Socio-economic Changes during the Sultanate Period
- 2. Week 8: Mughal Empire: Establishment and Expansion
 - Babur to Akbar: Conquests, Governance, and Religious Policy
 - Administration and Society under the Mughals
- 3. Week 9: Mughal Decline and Rise of Regional Powers
 - Aurangzeb and the Fall of the Mughals
 - Marathas, Rajputs, and Other Regional Kingdoms

Module 4: Colonial India and the Freedom Struggle

- 1. Week 10: The Coming of the British
 - Early European Settlements in India
 - Economic Impact of British Rule: Drain of Wealth, Land Revenue Systems
- 2. Week 11: The Revolt of 1857 and Nationalism
 - Causes and Consequences of the 1857 Rebellion
 - Growth of Indian Nationalism: INC, Swadeshi Movement
- 3. Week 12: Gandhian Era and Independence
 - Non-Cooperation and Civil Disobedience Movements
 - Partition of India and Independence in 1947